

a valuable asset to the county. Rivers need to be free from pollution in order to continue providing fishing that is so popular in the county. In surveying the county for this land use analysis, one would often run across privies built straddling a running creek. This practice needs to be stopped from both a health standpoint as well as an aesthetic one.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is a vital element in the development of any community. Many of the communities of Jackson County experience isolation because of the lack of means to get from one area of the county to another. This becomes particularly burdensome during the summer months with many tourists on the main thoroughfares of the county. The incorporated communities, especially Sylva, experience traffic problems in the central business district.

Development can be somewhat restricted without major thoroughfares to use in transporting goods. The completion of the U. S. 19A & 23 bypass help alleviate traffic problems around Sylva and Dillsboro, as well as create potential areas for development. The county does have rail access that passes through Sylva into Haywood County.